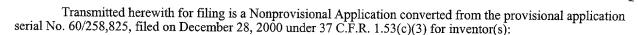
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Docket No. 253A 3052 Date: May 25, 2001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:



TETSUROU KOIDE, MASARU SUMIYOSHI and TOSHIYUKI KUNII

For: FIXED-MONETARY-AMOUNT PURCHASING SYSTEM FOR PRECIOUS METALS

Also enclosed are:

- 9 sheets of drawings
- Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Request to Convert Under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(c)(3)
- An assignment of the invention to <u>TANAKA KIKINZOKU KOGYO KABUSHIKI</u> KAISHA

		С	ALCULAT	TON OF FEES					
ITEM		TOTAL NO. OF CLAIMS		NO. OF CLAIMS OVER BASE	LG/SM \$ ENTITY FEE		\$ AMOUNT	\$ FEE	
Α	TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	45	-20	25	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	\$ 450		
В	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	1	-3	0	LG=\$80 SM=\$40	\$80	\$ 0	grideren Street, str	Service See
С	SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)							\$	450
D	MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$270 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$130							\$	270
E	BASIC FEE LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$710 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$355							\$	710
F	TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C, D, AND E)							\$	1,430
G	ASSIGNMENT RECORDING FEE						\$ 40	\$	40
	*LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 1	, ,				.,,	*****	1	

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 11-1445. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$_1,430_\text{ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.}
- A check in the amount of \$_40 to cover Assignment Recordation fee is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$\frac{130}{130}\$ to covert a provisional application filed under \$1.53(c) to a nonprovisional application under \$1.53(b) is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted, KODA & ANDROLIA

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REQUEST UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3)

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Dear Sir:

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In regards to the above-identified application, Applicant pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3) respectfully requests to convert the application to a nonprovisional application.

Our check for \$130 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i) is enclosed.

Please charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to KODA & ANDROLIA DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 11-1445.

Respectfully submitted,

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